GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

MA&UD Dept., - Gudivada Municipality – Allegations of irregularities committed by staff members - Departmental Proceedings initiated against Sri M.Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), and Smt. G.Pavani, the then Senior Assistant, Gudivada Municipality under Rule-20 of the A.P.C.S. (CC&A) Rules, 1991 - Inquiry conducted – Imposition of a penalty of "Withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" against Sri M.Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality – Orders – Issued.

MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No.664 **Dated:28.08.2024.**

Read the following:

1. From the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Guntur, Letter Roc. No.R-1845403/2018/C1, dated 01.04.2019 and 29.06.2020.
2. G.O.Rt.No.401, MA&UD (Vig.II) Dept., Dated 08-09-2020 read with G.O.Rt.No.23, M.A. & U.D. (Vig.II) Department, dated 09-02-2021.
3. G.O.Rt.No.24, MA&UD (Vig.II) Dept., Dated 09-02-2021.
4. Served copy in respect of Sri M.Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & MC (FAC), Gudivada Municipality, received through the C&DMA, A.P. Letter Roc No.1845403/2018/C1, dated 03.06.2022.
5. G.O.Rt.No.463, MA&UD (Vig.II) Dept., Dated.05.07.2022.
6. Inquiry Report from Sri B.Nagendra Kumar, Additional Project Director, AIIB & Inquiry Officer, APUWSSMIP, Vijayawada, Leter NO.APUF-14023(31)/8/2022-F AND ACCT SEC-APUFIDC, dated 30.11.2022.
7. Govt. Memo.No. 2445669/Vig.II/2019/A1 (E-862942), Dated.01.02.2023.
8. Served copy in respect of Sri M.Gopala Rao, Assistant Commissioner & MC (FAC), received through the Commissioner and Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Letter Roc.No.R-1845403/2018/C1, dated 05.01.2024.

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O R D E R:

Based on the report of the Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., in the reference 1st read above, disciplinary proceedings have been initiated against Smt. G.Pavani, the then Senior Assistant and Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality on the allegations of irregularities committed by way of tampering of Service Registers of Public Health Workers while sanction of Annual Grade Increments and 6/12/18/24 Automatic Advancement Scheme sanctions etc., in Public Health Section at Gudivada Municipality. In the G.O. 3rd read above, two (2) charges have been framed against Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality.

2. In the reference 4th read above, served copy of Sri M.Gopala Rao, the then Asst. Commissioner & MC (FAC) has been received. But, the charged officer has not submitted his written statement of defense. After following the procedure, it has been decided to conduct regular inquiry and Government appointed an Inquiry Officer to inquire into the charges framed against the Charged Officers in the G.O. 5th read

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above. The Inquiry Officer conducted inquiry and submitted his report vide reference 6th read above wherein among others he stated that all the two (2) Charges are held proved against the above said charged officer which are supervisory lapses and failure in discharging his duties.

3. After careful examination of the Inquiry Report, submitted by the Inquiry Officer, Government accepted the findings of the Inquiry Officer and communicated a copy of inquiry report to the charged officer Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality and other Charged Officer, with a direction to submit his written representation if any, on the findings of the Inquiry Officer in terms of Rule 21 (2) of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 in the reference 7th read above. The charged officer Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality, has not submitted his written representation, but served copy has been received in the reference 8th read above.

4. Government have examined the entire matter; keeping in view the findings of Inquiry Authority and roles and responsibilities of the Charged Officers and decided to impose a penalty of "Withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" against Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality, as all the (2) charges are proved which are supervisory lapses and failure in discharging his duties.

5 Accordingly, Government hereby impose a penalty of "Withholding two annual grade increments without cumulative effect" against Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner & Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gudivada Municipality.

6. The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri, shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

ANIL KUMAR SINGHAL
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri M. Gopala Rao, the then Assistant Commissioner &
Municipal Commissioner (FAC), Gdivada Municipality
- **through** the Director of Municipal Administration,
A.P., Mangalagiri.
The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P., Mangalagiri,
Copy to:
The Secretary to A.P. Vigilance Commission, 5th Block, A.P. Secretariat.
The Commissioner, Gudivada Municipality, Gudivada, Krishna District.
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SECTION OFFICER.